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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: THE NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT
- PREPARATIONS AND PRECEDING MEETINGS

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1. IN PURSUANCE INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED REFTEL, AMBASSADOR HAS RAISED MATTER OF INDONESIA'S ATTENDANCE WITH CHIEF OF FOREIGN MINISTER'S PERSONAL STAFF. LATTER HAS STATED HE WILL INFORM US OF MEETINGS AT WHICH GOI EXPECTS TO BE REPRESENTED, NOTING, INTER ALIA, THAT ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE IN JUNE IN MANILA RATHER THAN IN MAY AS LISTED REFTEL. WHEN AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED OUR INTEREST IN DISCUSSING SUBJECTS OF IMPORTANCE TO BE RAISED AT THESE MEETINGS AND AT NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT AND POSSIBLE GOI POSITIONS, AMBASSADOR SUMARIO INDICATED POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A DISCUSSION BUT WOULD NOT COMMIT HIMSELF AT THIS TIME.

2. MEANWHILE, HE INFORMED US THAT SOME EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO COORDINATE ASEAN POSITIONS AT LEAST AMONG ASEAN

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COUNTRIES WHICH ARE MEMBERS OF NAM. HE ALSO REMARKED

ON AN EFFORT BEING MADE TO HAVE A PRE-SUMMIT MEETING OF ASIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS, BUT THAT THERE IS AS YET NO DECISION AS TO WHO IS TO BE INVITED. PURPOSE OF THIS GROUP'S MEETING WOULD BE TO REACH CONSENSUS ON ISSUES IN ORDER PRESENT UNITED BLOC VIS--VIS OTHER ALREADY OFFICIAL OR SEMI-OFFICIAL REGIONAL GROUPS, SUCH AS AFRICANS, ARABS AND LATIN AMERICANS. OTHER INDONESIANS HAVE EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ON THIS IDEA BECAUSE OF PREPONDERANCE OF COMMUNIST NATIONS IN ANY ASIAN NON-ALIGNED GROUPING.

3. PROBLEM CERTAIN TO COME UP AT NON-ALIGNED MEETING, ACCORDING SUMARIO, IS THAT OF CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP. HE AGREED THAT KOREAN AND CUBAN MEMBERSHIP CERTAINLY CUT THE LINE PRETTY FINE. HE BELIEVES PHILIPPINES WILL APPLY FOR OBSERVER STATUS BUT COULD NOT SPECULATE ON ATTITUDE NEW THAI GOVERNMENT.

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